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In re Application of: **VASUDEVA, Kailash C.**
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Dear Sir:

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This is in response to the Final Office Action dated **November 19, 2007**. A request for Continued Examination (RCE) is also submitted along with a 3-month extension of time request.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **2** of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page **9** of this paper.